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To an ORDER of the HOUSE OF COMMONS, dated the 13th February, 1905, for a statement showing the amount of money expended by the Dominion Government since the first day of July, 1873, for constructing, equipping and subsidizing railways and canals, separately, in Canada; adding thereto the value of land given as subsidies on the basis of one dollar value per acre; and adding further thereto the total estimated liability incurred by Canada on account of the building of the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway; also a statement showing separately the part of such expenditure made or to be made as above on railways and canals separately in each province of Canada, and the North-west Territories, deducting any sums that may have been charged any of the provinces or the North-west Territories in their debt account with the Dominion of Canada.

R. W. SCOTT,
Secretary of State.

STATEMENT showing amount of money expended by the Department of Railways and Canals since the first day of July, 1873, for constructing, equipping and subsidizing railways and canals separately in Canada, to February 1, 1905.

1. Constructing and equipping railways,	\$88,310,791	48
2. Subsidizing railways.	59,287,995	32
3. Constructing and equipping canals,	66,966,699	17
4. No official estimate can be made at present as to the total estimated liability incurred by Canada on account of the building of the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway.		

NOTE.—The Department does not keep account of expenditures by Provinces so that it will not be possible to give the information asked for in part II of this Order.

LEONARD SHANNON,
Accountant.

DEPARTMENT OF RAILWAYS AND CANALS,
ACCOUNTANT'S OFFICE, OTTAWA, March 2, 1905.

Memo.

OTTAWA, March 21, 1905.

Referring to the order of the House, dated February 15, 1905, asking for a statement of the money expended by the Dominion Government for constructing, equipping and subsidizing railways and canals, separately, in Canada, adding thereto the value of land given as subsidies on the basis of one dollar per acre, which order has

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been referred to me for a statement of the land given as subsidies, I beg to say that the total areas earned as land subsidies in each of the provinces and in the North-west Territories by the different railway companies by construction of their lines on which subsidies were authorized under the several Acts of Parliament and Orders in Council relating to the same are as follows :—

In Ontario.....	4,551,747 acres.
In Manitoba.....	9,124,524
In the North-west Territories.....	13,970,076
In British Columbia.....	2,923,007
	30,569,354 acres.

The above areas have all been taken, so far as selection is completed, from Dominion lands in Manitoba and the North-west Territories.